(c) the funds made available for providing basic facilities at block level for successful implementation of this scheme in BIMARU States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (c) The Government proposes to introduce a new Scheme in the name of "Janani Suraksha Yojana" in near future. Besides the reduction of maternal & infant mortality, the scheme intends to protect female foeticide. Towards this, it aims at providing incentive to increase institutional delivery. The scheme will focus necessarily in those States/UTs where rate of institutional delivery is low. Modalities of the scheme are under finalization.

Shortage of drugs in Safdarjung Hospital

520. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Safdarjung Hospital is running short of essential drugs which are of regular use for the patients and the patients are asked to bring them from the market;

(b) if so, the action being taken/proposed to be taken; and

(c) whether authorities of the Safdarjung Hospital had informed Government about the shortage earlier?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (c) No, Sir. There is no shortage of essential drugs which are of regular use of the patients, in Safdarjung Hospital. In case of non-availability of essential and life saving medicines, the same are also procured and supplied to the poor patients.

False reporting of sterilization targets

521. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many instances of false reporting of sterilization targets by the units under the Family Welfare Scheme without actually performing the operations have come to Government's notice;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the system evolved to confirm that the sterilization operations have actually been performed;